

The Blue Jay Flyer



Reach up to God, Reach out to others, Reach far for success

October 10, 2018

From the Principal's Desk...

Lord, teach us to pray



Dear Parents,

Even though the temperature outside does not seem like fall, it is October. This month provides us with many opportunities as a community to pray. Last week, we gathered for another All School Mass for the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. Fr. Kyle blessed the pictures of pets that our students had brought with them.

During the month of October, we pay special attention in our prayer to the Blessed Virgin, Mary. Our students will be praying the rosary this month as well. Each day, I begin the day with prayer and every afternoon, a student leads us in the Prayer of St. Francis. Prayer is an integral part of who we are.

I have seen and heard your sons and daughters demonstrate their willingness to pray and sing. As a liturgical musician, I am very enthusiastic about the importance of singing. I have witnessed the reverence with which your daughters and sons come to mass.

In today's Gospel (LK 11:1-4), Jesus' disciples ask him, "**Lord, teach us to pray...**" Jesus then provides His disciples and all of us with our foundational prayer, the Our Father. It is in this simple prayer that Jesus provides us with His structure for our lives. We are to recognize and acknowledge God as our Heavenly Father. We are to understand that it is His Kingdom and His will that we are to cooperate with. We are told to ask for what we need most, food and forgiveness; we are instructed as to what we are to do, forgive one another. Finally, we are helped to know what to hope for; deliverance from all evil. Jesus not only teaches us to pray; he gives us His way to pray.

This week and this month take the time to pray with and for your daughters and sons. Ask them what prayers are in their hearts. Pray with them for the poor in the world who have no one to pray for them. As we witness to the importance of prayer in our lives, so too, we give them the kind of instruction that Jesus gave His disciples when they asked, "**Lord, teach us to pray.**"

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Minelli

Attendance Reminders

For the safety of your children, **NO admittance to the school building is permitted after 3:30pm, Mon-Fri.** Please do not try to enter the building via the aftercare room to retrieve forgotten items.

In addition to calling the attendance line at 385-2095 by 8:45am the day of your child's absence, the parent/guardian **must send a note to school with their returning student explaining the reason for their absence.** Any absences without a note are recorded as unexcused absences. Please refer to the Student Handbook for complete policies.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 12 NO SCHOOL
Girl Scout Halloween Sock Hop,
Parish Center 7-9PM
- October 14 Mother Son Kickball 4:45PM
- October 18 4th Grade Mass 8:30AM
- October 19 All School Mass 8:30AM
- October 22 5th Grade Mass 8:30AM
- October 25 Pre-K Fieldtrip Burwinkel Farm
9-11AM
- October 26 All School Mass 8:30AM
- October 27 PTO Father-Daughter
Dance 7-9PM
- October 30 Halloween Party 3yr M/T Class
- October 31 HALLOWEEN PARTIES,
Preschool 3yr W/T,
4yr AM/PM, Pre K
Kindergarten 9:30-11AM
Grades 1-3 1:30-2:35PM
- November 6 School Picture Retakes



PTO Fun Night

Please join us Thursday, October 18th for a Family Fun Night at Rockin' Jump on Colerain Ave. Cost is \$18 per person, with \$5 per jumper donated back to St. John's PTO. You pick any 2 hours to jump from 4-8PM. Just show up and jump! MAKE SURE YOU MENTION THE ST. JOHN'S FUNDRAISER WHEN PAYING. Reusable socks are included. Waivers can be completed online in advance to speed up check in.

LOST AND FOUND is now located in the cafeteria.
Do you recognize anything?



Taking Photos of Students at School

Parents/guardians who volunteer/visit the school are asked to please refrain from taking and posting on social media photos/videos of students other than your own children without that parent's consent.

According to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Social Media Policy (January 2015), **“Employees, clerics, and volunteers are forbidden to post or distribute personal identifiable information including pictures of any child under the age of eighteen without verifiable consent of a parent or guardian.”**

Create the Good ~ Fall Into Service

DONATIONS STILL NEEDED by Thursday, Oct 11th!!!

1 yd pieces of fleece fabric for baby blankets, cake mix, candles, icing, individual apple sauce, balloons, small plates, forks, napkins, toiletries, home cleaning supplies, first aid kits, non-perishable food, Kroger/Meijer gift cards, biotene mouth rinse, small packs of hard candy or tic tacs, chap stick, gum, hand cream, magazines, fuzzy socks, deck of cards, word search books, and hand sanitizer. *See attached flyer for more information.*

High School Open House Schedules

- Mercy McAuley Thursday, Nov. 8 6-8:30 PM
- Mount Notre Dame Sunday, Nov. 4 1-4 PM
- St. Ursula Academy Sunday, Oct. 28 1-3:30 PM
- Ursuline Academy Saturday, Nov. 3 10 AM-1 PM
Sunday, Nov 4 1-4 PM
- Badin High School Sunday, Nov. 4 1-4 PM
- LaSalle High School Sunday, Nov. 4 1-4 PM
- St. Xavier High School Sunday, Nov. 11 1-4 PM
- Moeller High School Sunday, Nov. 4 2-5 PM
- Roger Bacon H.S. Sunday, Oct. 28 1-3 PM
- Purcell Marian H.S. Sunday, Nov. 4 2-5 PM
- Elder High School Thursday, Nov. 8 5-8 PM
- Fenwick High School Sunday, Nov. 11 1-3 PM



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